

## PUBLIC HEALTH

## POLICY DESCRIPTION FORM

Department/Group: Public Health/HSS Budget Code: AAA-CCS  
 Title: Restoration of California Children's Services Medical Therapy Positions

PRIORITY: Rank 1 of 2 FUNDING: Full Year ☒ Other ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ Months

ITEM STATUS: Restoration ☒ Program Change ☐ Workload ☐

OPERATIONAL AND/OR FISCAL IMPACT: Clearly explain the impact on services (attach additional pages if required)

See Attached.

|  | 2003-04                       | Ongoing<br>2004-05 |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>APPROPRIATIONS</b>                                    |                               |                    |
| Salaries & Benefits (attach additional page if required) | \$ 60,462                     | \$ 66,508          |
| <b>CLASSIFICATIONS</b>                                   |                               |                    |
| <u>Budgeted Staff</u>                                    | <u>Title</u>                  | <u>Amount</u>      |
| <u>0.5</u>   | <u>Pediatric Therapist II</u> | <u>31,626</u>      |
| <u>0.8</u>   | <u>Occupational Therapist</u> | <u>28,836</u>      |
| Services & Supplies                                      |                               |                    |
| Other (specify) _____                                    |                               |                    |
| Equipment  |                               |                    |
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                                      |                               |                    |
| <u>Item</u>  | <u>Amount</u>                 |                    |
| _____  | _____                         |                    |
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| _____  | _____                         |                    |
| Reimbursements (specify) _____                           |                               |                    |
| Total:   | \$ 60,462                     | \$ 66,508          |
| <b>REVENUE (specify source)</b>                          |                               |                    |
| <u>State and Federal</u>                                 | <u>30,230</u>                 | <u>33,252</u>      |
| <u>Realignment</u>                                       | <u>15,116</u>                 | <u>16,628</u>      |
| _____  |                               |                    |
| Total:   | \$ 45,346                     | \$ 49,880          |
| LOCAL COST   | \$ 15,116                     | \$ 16,628          |

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### **Policy Item #1 of 2 - Restoration of California Children's Services Medical Therapy Positions**

Positions are currently vacant because the positions are hard to recruit. Vacancies within CCS fall into one of two component areas: the Administrative component and the Medical Therapy Program (MTP) component. Each of these components is funded differently. The MTP component is the only part of CCS staff that is authorized to provide direct medical care for CCS clients. As soon as a San Bernardino County resident is eligible for CCS services, the CCS program is required to provide those services to that child. These positions are required to meet State staffing guidelines based on current caseload of 10,400 (4/29/03). The State Children Medical Services Division reserves the right not to fund any CCS program that does not meet the State staffing standard. Funding for the vacant budgeted positions within the Medical Therapy Program (MTP) is as follows: 50% State (combination of State and Federal monies) and 50% County (50% net County Cost and 50% realignment). For FY 02/03, the County's share was \$1,162,562 however the MTP bills for services rendered to Medi-Cal clients and we estimate revenues approximating \$256,916 for these services. As a result, the actual County share of the MTP will be approximately \$905,647.

When the State CCS approved our FY 02/03 budget they did so by funding all of the current vacant positions. The understanding was that we needed this level of staffing to meet the minimum State staffing requirements in order to deliver the appropriate level of care for all of CCS clients. There is no other entity to provide care for the CCS population since Medi-Cal pays us to provide the requisite care for all Medi-Cal clients with special health care needs, Healthy Families will do so for theirs and the State pays 50% of case management and care for our caseload that is neither Medi-Cal or Healthy Families.